GEORGE L. HAMILTON HOPE RANCH SANTA BARBARA

American Numismatic Society New York City

31 May 1928

Gentlemen: -

One of my friends has appealed to me to find out if possible what the decoration described on the enclosed slip is.

I have been unable to identify it in the only books of reference I have available- Carlisle Elvin or Trost -and so I am sending it on.

It was given to the Rev Dr Frothingham in 1870 by a physician named Zapary who is believed to have been of Polish origin.

The drawing is full size.

Gillingham does not list anything like it in any of his books, and I am inclined to think it is probably Russian though there is nothing but a "huntch" to explain this belief.

Col Geo L Hamilton

6th June, 1928

Col. George L. Hamilton, Santa Barbara, Cal.

Dear Sir:

All I can say in reply to your letter is that I have had on my desk for several months a medal identical with the one you ask about. We have never been able to locate it. I have, however, come to the conclusion that it is not a governmental badge or an official order, but is probably a Russian badge (as you state) of some red cross or charitable organization. Why I say I do not consider it official is because the whole fabric is to thin and too flat, the crown especially so.

Very truly yours,

EDWARD T. NEWELL

SYDNEY P. NOE SECRETARY

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Amer Numismatic Society Broadway at 156 th Street New York 2 May 1930

Gentlemen: -

I have just had submitted to me two silver Peace Medals

James Monroe 1817 Ob. by FURST Rev Clasped hands Pipe and Tomahawk

50 Will. Diameter

Andrew Joh nson 1865 Ob.and Rev. by Paquet 63 Mill. Diameter

I know you are interested in completeing your collection and would like to know if you would be interested in seeing them with a view to the eir purchase. They belong to B G Johnson 408 Olive St St Louis and he wants \$40.00 each for them. He sent them to me on approval and they seem in good condition for this type of medal. I will be glad to send them on by prepaid express if you are interested. An early reply is requested as they should go back to him without unnecessary delay.

Gvery Truly

Col Geo L Hamilton

Col. Geo. L. Hamilton Hope Ranch Santa Barbara, Calif.

Dear Sir:

Thank you for your note of the 2nd offering us two silver Peace Medals. We wish to advise, however, that we already have these specimens in our collection and therefore are not interested.

Very truly yours,

Howland Wood Esq. Curator. American Numismatic Society New York

Dear Mr Wood: -

I do not know whether these few Chinese decorations will be of any interest to you as Curator. They are surplus of a lot of modera decorations sent to me recently from Pieping.

Plese turn the "Notes" over to the proper person- I am interested only in service medals and decorations and it seems too bad that some one who is interested in the contents of these books should not have them. They will only be lost if they stay with me. The four on decorations previously issued have all had morocco covers provided and the Russian one is now in the hands of the binder.

Very Truly Yours

Col Geo L Hamilton

February 24, 1932.

Col. George L. Hamilton 100 E. Constance Avenue Santa Barbara, California.

Dear Col. Hamilton:

Your package containing the Numism tic Notes and Monographs that you did not wish together with a number of Chinese Republic decorations at hand. I have turned the Notes over to the publication department and I want to thank you most sincerely for the decorations, none of which we had. In fact, we are extremely weak in the Republican badges and decorations. There is one medal of pewter without any information attached to it - could you identify this? Again thanking you, I remain,

Very truly yours,

HW: JG

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This was described to me as a "Police Medal"
That's all the information I can give you. I have

two similar ones-of higher classes-one with a gilded

center and one enamelled leaves green star red and back
ground of center blue

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May 25, 1934.

Col. George L. Hamilton 100 E. Constance Avenue Santa Barbara, Cal.

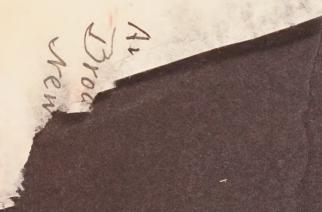
Dear Col. Hamilton:

The package containing the various classes of decorations of the Chinese order of Wen Hu at hand which you are presenting to this Society. I wish to thank you most sincerely for these, one only of which, the lowest class, we have represented in our collection. This one you gave us some two years ago. I have communicated with Mr. Gillingham, our Treasurer, who lives in Philadelphia that you have made us this most generous gift.

Very truly yours,

· HW: JG

From Cal GL Hamitton 100 East Constance Ave Santa Barbara Calix.



with Both Smilton an acknowledgement December 6, 1934.

Col. G. L. Hamilton 100 East Constance Ave. Santa Barbara, Calif.

Dear Col. Hamilton:

I wish to acknowledge the receipt of the several Chinese badges you have just sent to our museum. Again I wish to thank you for your courtesy and remembrance of this Society.

Very truly yours,

HW:JG